



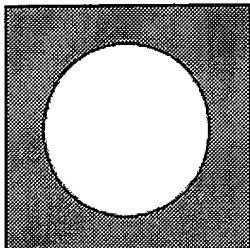
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Main Entry: **Dam·o·cles**

Pronunciation: 'da-m&--"kliEz

Function: *noun*

Etymology: Latin, from Greek *Damoklēs*

: a courtier of ancient Syracuse held to have been seated at a banquet beneath a sword hung by a single hair

- **Dam·o·cle·an** /"da-m&-'kliE-&n/ *adjective*

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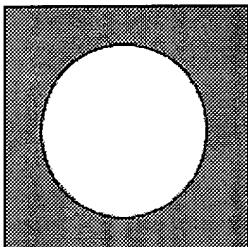
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Pronunciation: -'da-m&--"kliEz

Usage: *often capitalized S*

Date: 1820

: an impending disaster

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